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Doc Jacobs Classic

Tom Hoey and Walt's Red-Hot Purple Knights Make SMC Hoop History

Contributor donates funds and name to dorm

by Michael J. Readon
news editor

The St. Michael's College board of trustees approved the naming of the new dorm for its principal money donor at its annual fall meeting.

Robert G. Hodson, father of two St. Michael's students and three of the college's graduates, is the contributor. He has pledged a minimum of \$200,000 to the college.

Hodson is president of G.L. Hodson & Son of Manhasset, an insurance firm. He is a 1946 graduate of Holy Cross College, and received a law degree from Georgetown University.

The new dorm will officially take Hodson's name sometime

after Christmas.

The trustee's meeting, a four-day affair, was held from Nov. 15-18. It consisted mainly of committee reports and discussion of plans for the upcoming year.

Two future trustee meetings, one in February and one in April, are dedicated to administrative tasks such as the presentation and ratification of the college's budget.

The educational policy committee submitted a revised version of faculty regulations. The trustees accepted them.

The regulations are a collection of policies pertaining to the faculty and are analogous to the student guide.

Only minor changes were

made, mostly in updating various policy programs. The regulations include faculty appointments, status and tenure.

The student policy committee gave its report concerning student reaction to the revised student guide and code, particularly the stricter parietals.

Michael Samara, director of student life, reported that the stricter rules were initially poorly accepted by the students. He went on to say that as they began to know their R.A.s, tolerance for the rules increased.

The honors committee reported that it was in the process of accepting nominations for recipients of honorary degrees at the 1979 graduation ceremonies.

Traditionally honorary degrees are endowed to public figures of merit who are invited to attend commencement.

The committee is also working to determine who the commencement speaker will be.

A request for an addition to the fire station was approved by the board members.

It was also announced that tours of the new dorm and other dorms will be provided for the trustees sometime in February.

The nominations committee reported the resignation of Antonio Pomerleau from the board.

Pomerleau was a board member for more than five years. He headed the facilities and personnel committee during St. Michael's building program of the early '70s.

Senate tables academic credit

by Peter McGarry

The student senate voted nearly unanimously Tuesday to table the academic credit proposal until certain issues could be clarified.

The proposal, as it stands now, maintains that student leaders (i.e. S.A. officers, Michaelman editors and other active students) should receive academic credit for their involvement in campus activities.

"Being a student leader and working with the faculty is a learning experience, but we receive no academic credit," Robert Heroux, S.A. vice president and chairman of the ad hoc academic credit proposal committee, said.

"There is \$6,000 allotted for compensatory pay for student time spent working on committees. If the credit proposal is ratified, his money could go toward other student activities," Heroux said.

Vernon F. Gallagher, academic dean, said that these credits would only be given to students who have received faculty sponsorship, faculty supervision and faculty evaluation.

"We have to be careful," Gallagher added. "It is easy to see how abuses could occur, as did during the experimental learning program."

There are "certain standards that must be maintained," the dean said.

The role of the senate will be to submit names of student leaders it deems worthy of credit to a review board to be formed under the proposal.

This board will consist of the academic dean, or his representative, who will be chairman; a representative of the college president; the director of student life; and any other representative the board deems fit.

This proposal, upon senate approval, will be submitted to the president of the college,

the academic dean, the director of student life, and the curriculum committee for approval.

"We believe St. Michael's College should recognize the education, time and work that goes into being a student leader," Heroux said. "This recognition must be in the form of academic credit for it to have an effect."

John Orgera dies in one-car crash on Thanksgiving

by Lisa Esposito

John M. Orgera, a freshman from Stamford, Conn., was killed early Thanksgiving morning when the car he was driving slid off the road and hit a tree. He was 18.

John flew home on Friday, Nov. 17 for Thanksgiving vacation. He was returning to Stamford after visiting friends on Wednesday night. While driving his car home alone around 2 a.m. Thursday, he slid off the road and hit a tree.

John lived in Alumni Hall at St. Michael's. His major was undecided and his hobbies included fishing, hunting, and skiing. He was born Nov. 4, 1960.

John is survived by his parents, three sisters, and one brother. Mr. and Mrs. Orgera wish to open a scholarship fund at St. Michael's. Any donations can be made in John's name to Richard DiVenere, vice president for institutional advancement, in the development office.

A Mass was celebrated by John's resident assistant, the Rev. Thomas Hoar, at 6:30 on Nov. 27 in the chapel. Funeral and burial were in Stamford on Saturday, Nov. 25.



Elvis cult losing popularity

(CPS) — While the cartoon strip "Doonesbury" had fun for a few weeks with the blatant commercialization of Elvis Presley after his death, reports indicate that such commercialization may be dying down.

Two Elvis events had to be cancelled in recent weeks due to lack of interest. "Always Elvis," a multi-media production hawked by Elvis' manager, Col. Tom Parker, was cancelled at the Greensboro, N.C. coliseum this month. Only 400 of the 15,000 seat Coliseum had been sold for the Shrine Club benefit.

Earl Owensby, an Elvis imitator, speculated that the "Always Elvis" show failed because "Elvis fans went to see him in person. They don't want to see a picture of him."

But only a few weeks later, Owensby's own Elvis show couldn't sell tickets, either. The show, called "Living Legend," was cancelled before the performance.



Scene of suspected arson on second floor Alumni Hall, where 9 of the building's 12 fire extinguishers were empty.

photo by Brian J. Anders

Fire in Alumni Hall near death in quad

by Brian J. Anders

St. Michael's College fire chief Donald Sutton said he will pursue every means within the law to find the parties responsible for a fire early Sunday morning in Alumni Hall that almost took the lives of at least two students.

Residents attempting to fight the blaze were hampered because nine of the building's 12 fire extinguishers were empty. They had to go to the third floor to find useable extinguishers.

"If necessary, I will go through civil courts and the state's attorney to fight this problem," Sutton said.

The fire was started in the north wing of the second floor of the dorm. It burned through the veneer and two layers of carpet under the door and into room 262. The two occupants of the room, James Lyden and Timothy Waters, were both asleep at the time and have no idea how the fire started.

Sutton said that since the two

were asleep, they breathed at a slower rate. The fumes from the burning carpet would have killed them in about two or three minutes if they had been awake.

The fire was discovered about 5:50 a.m. Sunday by one of the wing's residents. He began rousing other students by kicking their doors.

When the door to room 262 was finally opened, there were towels pushed against the inside of the door, said one student. Sutton is unsure of how the fire started, but said it could not have been an accident. "This was intentional," he said. "This is first degree arson."

Director of Student Life Michael Samara also expressed his concern over the incident. "A lot of raging had been going on lately. That kind of mentality condones a fire," he said.

Alumni Hall has had a total of roughly \$2,800 in damage this semester. The second floor is responsible for \$2,116 of the total.

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Senate votes to divide \$713 yearbook surplus

by Barbara Nagy
copy editor

The St. Michael's College student senate voted Tuesday night to approve the financial committee's recommendation that a \$713 yearbook refund be distributed to WWPV, the social committee, and the drama and outing clubs.

The money was originally paid to the Herff-Jones Company for the printing of several pages of color pictures in the 1978 Hilltop. The money was refunded when the photos were lost in the mail last year.

Finance Committee Chairman Timothy P. Guidera said the radio station was given \$400 to cover the cost of liability insurance that is mandatory for the station's operation. The \$400 had originally been cut from the station's budget on the assumption that the insurance was not necessary.

The social committee, and drama and outing clubs each were allotted \$100 on the basis that each had legitimate projects on which the money could be spent. Each had a representative at Tuesday night's financial committee meeting to speak for its interests.

The remaining \$13 remained with the yearbook.

Senator Mark Bouchard asked why the \$713 wasn't reserved until the end of the year to pay off debts that organizations may accumulate during the semester. Bouchard said there is no clause in the S.A. constitution authorizing such a surplus to be divided during the semester.

Guidera agreed that there were no provisions for the division of the money, and later

admitted that although the committee's action was not entirely justified by the constitution, it was not specifically prohibited, either.

Rooke quoted a clause in the constitution that authorizes the finance committee to allocate S.A. funds. He also pointed out that the constitution is not a very detailed document.

The senate also approved a \$12,146 allocation for the 1979 Hilltop.

The S.A. representative on the Michaelman Publishing Association Board, Christopher Whelan, reported that the board had approved the division of \$550 in semester bonuses among nine sub-editors of the paper, despite the senate's vote last week that the bonuses not be approved.

Guidera said he would like the constitutions of all S.A.-funded organizations to be changed to permit the senate's control over all such organizations.

He argued that these organizations should be accountable to the students because they are student organizations recognized by the senate.

Guidera said he talked with college Comptroller David Smith, who agreed that it is foolish for the senate to permit any organization to have an account not under its control.

Since this semester's bonuses will be taken from the Michaelman's advertising account (money the paper has produced itself), the senate has no control over how the money is spent.

The senate also:

—voted to recommend that the

club hockey team be given division three status. The major difficulty is funding. As a varsity sport, hockey would be funded solely by the college. The team is presently funded through student activities fees and the efforts of team members.

—voted that the glee club be recognized by the senate.

—approved the fire prevention committee's regulations that no Christmas trees be permitted in student's rooms. Trees will only be permitted in dorm lounges to prevent a compounding of the fire hazard that the trees create.

—granted a unanimous vote of confidence to all cabinet and executive board members, with one abstention for Guidera and four for Rooke.

—tabled a proposal that "student leaders" be given academic credit instead of stipends.

Announcements included:

—A survey is being sent to area colleges to determine whether the construction of a rathskeller at St. Michael's is feasible.

—Possible upcoming lecture series events include lectures by the people who did the research for the book *The Amityville Horror*, and by a member of the Club of Rome, which makes doomsday predictions.

—Construction of a bike path between north and south campuses will begin next spring. It will be in two segments because Camp Johnson is an impassible barrier.

—A Jan. 30 Buddy Rich concert will be held at St. Michael's, but will be financed by a Montreal agency, not the college.



Beth Ann Lundberg, left, as Mrs. Tully, and Sarah Carleton as Mrs. Haggerty drink tea during the play "The Old Lady Shows Her Medals," being presented at McCarthy Arts Center this weekend.

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Ground breaking delayed for new classroom building

by Michael Reardon
news editor

Groundbreaking ceremonies for the planned Bergeron classroom building will be delayed because the college has been slow in selecting a construction company.

The original plans called for the commencement of construction in early fall.

"Bids have been submitted and are currently being analyzed by the administration," David LaMarche, assistant to the president, said.

Should the administration come to a quick decision, groundbreaking will be sometime near Dec. 15. Otherwise, groundbreaking is tentatively set for early spring.

LaMarche pointed out that 18 inches of frost has already been reported in many areas and this does not lend to the feasibility of a December groundbreaking.

The question now is whether the Bergeron building will be constructed in time to meet the demand for increased campus classrooms and to accommodate the Women and Socie-

ty Symposium scheduled for late March.

In light of the administration's present deliberations, the answer is a probable no.

"Old Lady Shows Her Medals" opens at SMC tomorrow

by Wendy Lambert

This year the drama department will present "The Old Lady Shows Her Medals" as its annual Christmas production, under the direction of junior Marty Thaler. Performances will be Saturday and Sunday at 8 p.m. in the McCarthy Art Center.

The one-act play takes place in London during World War I in the shabby home of a Cockney cleaning woman, Mrs. Dowey (Pam Cady). In her loneliness Mrs. Dowey fantasizes that a

The young man she picks, Pvt. Kenneth Dowey (Chuck Tobin), a soldier in the Scottish Black Watch Regiment, coin-

her son.

cidently has the same last name.

While in the process of convincing her three friends, Mrs. Haggarty (Sarah Carleton), Mrs. Tully (Beth Anne Lundberg), and Mrs. Mickleham (Maryellen Pape) that this boy truly is her son the Rev. Wilkinson enters and announces that Kenneth Dowey has arrived home for Christmas leave.

The holiday theme prevails as Mrs. Dowey takes in the boy to share her Christmas after she is severely reprimanded for what she had done.

The production should prove to be first rate in both its acting and music.

Club activities involve many

by Sharon Mastrangelo

The Outing Club, headed by junior Frank Bock, was developed to allow St. Michael's students to learn about the environment while also using it for recreation. The club fulfills this by dividing its

purpose into two sections. The first is purely enjoyment. Overnight camping trips to such places as White Mountain in the Adirondacks and Camel's Hump in the Green Mountains are sponsored as well as rock climbing in the local area and white-water canoeing. The pur-

pose for these says Bock, is for people "to have fun, get exercise, and a good time outdoors."

The second purpose is to teach people about the outdoors in relation to safety and survival and for people to be aware of the environment in the Northeast. In addition to films and lectures, the club also holds demonstrations on topics like reading a compass and survival in the wilderness.

When the club started in September, it had seven faculty and administration members who helped in the planning of the club. Now that the club is in operation, it is run by the student members and the faculty exists mainly to advise.

"The camping equipment situation is really hurting said Bock. The club owns extensive rock climbing equipment, and two canoes, but they are waiting to get more camping equipment.

The club holds weekly meetings, on Monday nights, in the Science Hall, Room 108, at 6:15. Anyone wishing to join the club or to rent their equipment should attend one of the meetings.

Starting in January, Bock said that the club will be asking for a \$2.00 membership fee. In paying this fee, the person will receive a membership card allowing a 20 percent discount on anything bought at Eastern Mountain Sports in Burlington. The \$2.00 fee will go toward buying more equipment for the club.

The club is looking for people who would be interested in instructing courses or giving lectures. Anyone wishing to help are asked to call Frank Bock at 655-1380 or Jenny Cernosia at the Student Activities Office in Alliot.

Bock said, "The club is still growing and still has a good way to go. What we need is a lot of attendance and participation from anyone who wants to help."

32 SMC students to be listed in this year's Who's Who

St. Michael's College will be represented by 32 students in the 1978-1979 edition of "Who's Who Among Students in American Universities and Colleges."

Each senior had the opportunity to vote for three classmates on Nov. 14 and 15 whom they believed met the standards for "Who's Who."

The requirements were: good academic standing, leadership qualities, potential for giving later in life, participation in extracurricular activities, and community service. Faculty members also made nominations.

Michael Samara, a member of the committee to select representatives, said it was difficult to limit the number of students to 32. This is the maximum number of students that can be cited in the publication from a college the size of St. Michael's.

Michael Conway, another member of the committee, said, "It was tough to choose. We left off a lot of people who would have been selected had we had a higher quota."

There were 109 persons nominated and 110 persons voted, Conway said. Some students who received no votes will still be named in "Who's

Who." Some persons who might have been left out from the student vote and who the committee believed belonged on the list, Conway said.

Other committee members were Brian Rooke, Jennifer Cernosia and Dr. Norbert Kuntz.

Conway said the distinction of being named in this publication is "being recognized by peers and the community at large."

Samara has sent the list of students to "Who's Who" headquarters in Georgia. These students will be asked to supply a brief biography to be published in the book.

Those who were selected are: Paul J. Ascenzo, Jose C. Blanco, Robert P. Borquez, Matthew J. Bowen, Margaret A. Brew, Kathryn Cain, Michael G. Conway, James R. Cruise, Edward J. Curvino, Melanie Demarais, James M. Fay, Sharon L. Fontanella, Frank Furfaro, William R. Gamelli, Kathy M. Griffin, Michael J. Lennon, Cheryl A. LePine, Thomas A. Litowski, James P. Mallanov, Armand L. Michaud, Jill A. Moffitt, David P. Pellegrino, Lucille L. Paolantonio, Daniel R. Palmateer, Joan E. Reiss, Brian J. Rooke, Paul M. Savery, David R. Schemel, Julia M. Steele, Richard A. Vassallo, Christopher Whalen, Peter R. Worrell.

Dixon denies prediction

Rumors of a prediction made by Jean Dixon that an airplane would crash on a campus whose description fits that of St. Michael's College have been denied by her assistant.

There were several versions of the prediction circulating across campus. These rumors included such myths as a plane would crash in 1979 at a small private college near an airport in northern New England. This college supposedly has a round library and the plane crash was to cause a major loss of lives. The aircraft was to crash into an L-shaped dormitory whose name begins with the letter "L".

Dixon's assistant was contacted in her office in Washington, D.C. She stressed that Dixon "never makes predictions like that." She said that such a rumor "surely is not one that emanated from any prediction that Mrs. Dixon ever made."



U.S. Senator Patrick Leahy (D-Vt.), an SMC alumnus, speaks with student Brad Barrows before his acceptance Wednesday of the Bread for the World Award. Leahy was given a plaque in appreciation for his efforts in shaping national policy toward the goal of eliminating domestic and world hunger.

photo by Rob Swanson

Student survey to determine activities

The S.A. social committee and the student activities office will sponsor a student-interest survey next Monday and Tuesday to determine which programs students are interested in.

Because of lack of interest in college programs this semester, Director of Student Activities Jennie Cernosia said the committee and her office would like to try to plan programs more around student interests.

She said the survey will include a list of activities, trips and mini-courses. Students will be asked to indicate whether they are interested in either participating or leading any of the activities, she explained.

The governing board, Student Resource Center and residence hall staff compiled the list.

The surveys will be processed over Christmas vacation and the results will be used to plan college activities next semester. Cernosia said she hoped they could also be used as a guideline in planning the Fall 1979 semester's activities.

Chip Mitiguy, a governing board member, said this type of survey is "an avenue that has been extremely successful at other schools." He added, "It is obvious this past semester that some sort of student need-oriented programming is needed."

Surveys will be available at the information booth in Alliot Hall.

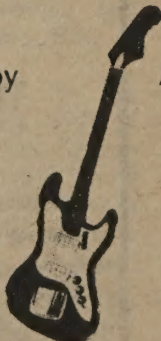
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One-act comedy concludes year

by Joann Smith

Hast thou ever thought what might happen if the "Two Gentlemen of Verona" got together with the "Merry Wives of Windsor?" Or perhaps, what would become of Juliet were she approached by five of Shakespeare's other ladies?

Charles George has the answer to both of these questions in his "When Shakespeare's Ladies Meet with Apologies to the Bard," a satiric one-act comedy playing on Shakespeare's words and plays.

Directed by seniors Andrea Frechette and Teresa Barbary, it will be the last play of the semester, performed on Dec. 12, in the McCarthy Arts Center at 8 p.m.

In their empathy for Juliet (played by Teresa Barbary), five of Shakespeare's ladies leave their own plays and periods, and journey to Verona to advise Juliet on the art of love. All have been through the pleasure and pain that love brings, and feel they can advise Juliet properly.

Portia (Kathy Cain) absconds from "The Merchant of Venice", Cleopatra (Jane Scorpio) leaves Antony, Ophelia (Kathy Kane) abandons

Hamlet, Katherine (Joan Dickinson) postpones her "Taming of the Shrew", and Desdemona (Ellen Menard) flees from Othello.

Frechette calls the play "an illusion to a multitude of Shakespeare's other works." There are many references to Shakespeare's play titles such as: "Thou should'st not repeat such idle chatter, Catherine. Thou makest 'A Much Ado About Nothing'."

The irony of the situation is that although these five ladies have journeyed to give Juliet lessons, she is the one who ends up giving the lessons to each one of them in her garden.

The production of "When Shakespeare's Ladies Meet" is a senior seminar project for Frechette, Barbary, Derrick Halacki, and Debbi Tremblay. Halacki designed original backdrops for the set, as well as the posters and program. Tremblay composed and directed all the music for the show.

The comedy for the fair sex should be seen by all, for it promises to be entertaining as well as amusing and once again, "All's well that ends well."



Three of Shakespeare's ladies prepare to perform in Charles George's "When Shakespeare's Ladies Meet, with Apologies to the Bard."

photo by David Walsh

Brazilian pianist pleases audience in McCarthy Arts

Two white cuffs of a slim, black, tuxedo danced over piano keys before a hushed audience. Between musical pieces, the Brazilian pianist wiped the sweat from his upper lip and took a breath; the recital hall echoed with silent anticipation.

Again, the notes composed by Villa-Lobos rang from the piano. Then Ney Salgado stood and bowed to enthusiastic applause.

The visiting pianist performed works by Beethoven, Chopin and Debussy in the McCarthy Arts Center on Nov. 29.

Ney Salgado, a native of Sao Paulo, Brazil, began his studies at an early age. In addition to presenting recitals in the United States, the artist has toured Europe and South America extensively.

Liturgical dancers perform in chapel at SMC folk mass

A liturgical dance was performed in the chapel of St. Michael's College at the 9 p.m. Mass on Sunday.

The dance was performed by Laura Rathgeb, Yvonne Lavallee and Kathy Markey, all of Burlington. It was the first time any of them had done such a dance. All three women attended a seminar on liturgical dance at St. Michael's about six weeks ago, according to Steven Warner, liturgical coordinator. He added that they are all experienced dancers.

He made arrangements for Sunday's dance as well as one on Nov. 5 that was performed by Mary Daly of Baldwin, N.Y. Warner and Daly planned the dance that was performed Sunday night, but Warner said the uniqueness of such a dance is that "it changes and develops as you work on it."

The St. Michael's folk group accompanied the dance with "Abba! Father!" The song was written from the words in Isaiah chapter 63, the reading for the first Sunday of Advent.



Laura Rathgeb performs a liturgical dance at the 9 p.m. folk mass in the chapel of St. Michael the Archangel on Sunday.

Final Exam Schedule

Dates:

Final exams for courses held during the Fall semester will be from Thursday, December 14, 1978 through Wednesday, December 20, 1978; for courses held during the Spring semester exams will be from Thursday, May 10, 1979 through Wednesday, May 16, 1979.

Class Hour	Day of Exam	Time of Exam
MWF 8:30	1	9:00-11:00
MWF 9:35	3	9:00-11:00
MWF 10:40	5	9:00-11:00
MWF 11:45	1	1:00- 3:00
MWF 12:50	6	1:00- 3:00
MWF 1:55	2	1:00- 3:00
MWF 3:00	4	1:00- 3:00
TTH 8:30	6	9:00-11:00
TTH 10:00	4	9:00-11:00
TTH 11:30	5	1:00- 3:00
TTH 1:00	3	1:00- 3:00
TTH 2:30	2	9:00-11:00
TTH 4:00	4	1:00- 3:00

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Editorial

Saga, kitchens in Hodson, absurd

Students have been concerned about the logic, or lack of it, behind the building of full kitchens into Hodson Hall only to have a mandatory meal plan remain in effect.

It appears to be a waste of both space and money to plan kitchens into the design of a dormitory, when all along the planners knew that the residents would be forced to stay on the meal plan.

Many students are hoping that the mandatory purchase of the meal plan will not be enforced next year. However, Ernest Guilmain, vice president for fiscal affairs and treasurer, said that any possibility of this happening would be a surprise to him. He declined to comment further.

Guilmain also refused to discuss how the withdrawal of the meal plan for Hodson Hall would affect the college budget.

It appears that the meal plan will be continued for no apparent reason other than that the college stands to lose money. Yet, so do those parents or students who pay for an apartment outfitted with a kitchen, and who also pay for a meal plan.

With all this concern about money, it is strange that money and valuable space would be wasted on kitchens that really can't justify themselves being there. Or are we to assume that students should use it to cook dinners at night when a paid-for meal is sitting over in Alliot?

Of course, students can go on the ten meal plan. Although how it costs only \$70 less for less than half the meals is another strange fact.

The Sutton estates also have full kitchens and forced meal plans. However, as these are old buildings, one can be more understanding of past mandatory meal plans than one can of the construction of a new building with kitchens.

The forced meal plan is unfair and unjustified. It seems even more so when the college treasurer will not even discuss it.

—MB

Shape up Alumni

Throughout the years Alumni Hall has acquired a reputation for itself as a truly uninhibited dorm. It has always been a forerunner when it comes to destruction and theft of property.

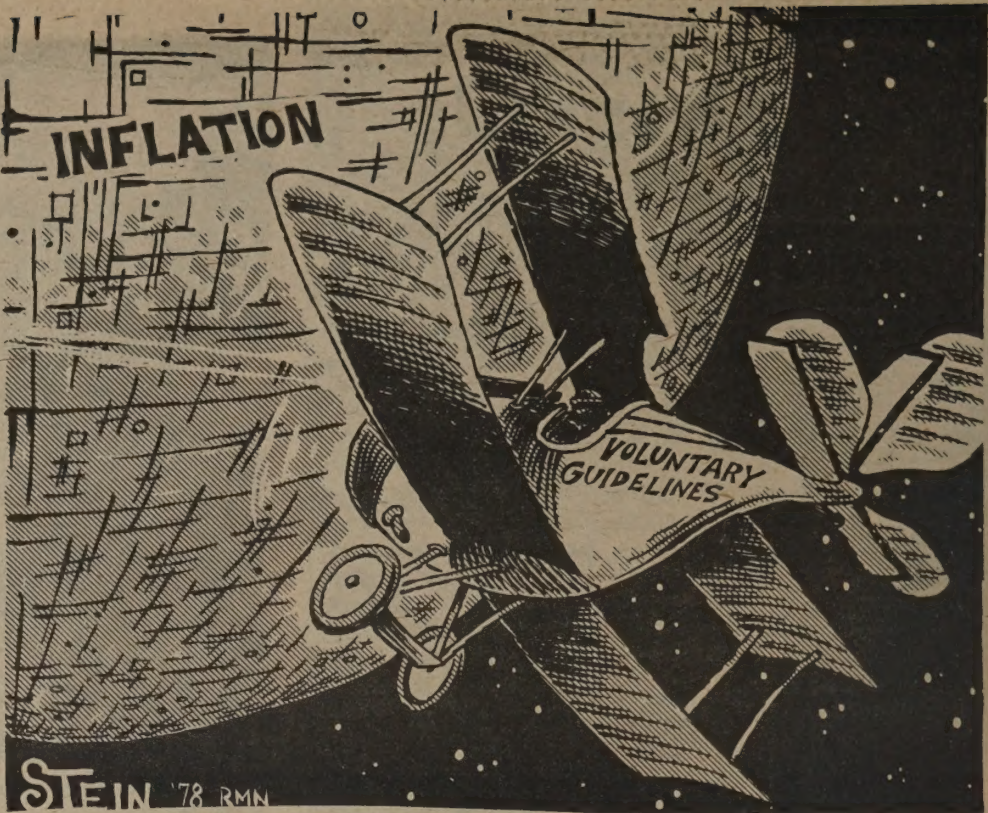
Early Sunday morning this reputation was almost lost along with the rest of the building, as towels placed under a student's door were set afire. According to Don Sutton, SMC fire chief, tragedy was avoided by only minutes.

The fire, which occurred on 2nd floor Alumni, is not the first case of reported damage there. Already, the wing has tallied up more than a \$2100 bill for damages.

A certain amount of breakage can be tolerated, but there comes a time when a line of demarcation must be drawn between normal breakage, and the wanton destruction of private property.

One has to wonder when personal destruction is cast aside, and collective liability is called for. Unless the person responsible for this crime is found, the whole wing should be subjected to some sort of punishment. No matter how arbitrary this appears, at present, it seems the only rational path to pursue in dealing with this sort of situation.

—JFH



Letters to the editor

Michaelman faculty moderator explains bonus decision

To the editor:

As faculty moderator of the Michaelman and chairman of the Michaelman Publishing Association Board of Directors, it was my dubious privilege to cast the controversial tie-breaking vote in favor of the disbursement of semester "bonuses" for the Michaelman editorial staff at the board's most recent meeting.

Many, perhaps most, will legitimately criticize the decision I made. I would, therefore, like to offer interested parties a public explanation of some of the considerations which motivated my decision.

The editors will recall that I privately counseled against such expenditure, and members of the publishing board have heard my objections to the procedure by which these awards have previously been made.

Nevertheless, during my short tenure as moderator, I have become most impressed with the dedication and diligence of the small group of students who comprise the editorial staff. Aside from these traditional bonuses, the only recognition they receive for their long hours and hard work has been the equally traditional plethora of cheap shots concerning the quality of their product.

Although errors in judgment inevitably occur, I believe the Michaelman compares favor-

ably with the newspapers that I have seen from other colleges comparable in size to St. Michael's. To cut off the staff's only honorarium at this point in time had an ex post facto air about it that I found discomforting.

In addition, in view of the fact that similar awards are given elsewhere on campus, it appeared to me that the student association was once again singling out the newspaper for unusual scrutiny and imposing an exceptional standard of frugality upon it.

The implications of this practice are very dangerous and ought to provoke some soul-searching reflection on the part of all members of the St. Michael's community.

It is, of course, proper for students to be concerned over the ways in which their activity fees are being spent, just as it is proper for students to criticize the editorial policies of the Michaelman. I believe the amendments to the Michaelman's by-laws that were adopted by the publishing board at that same meeting will remedy the financial abuses for the future.

Perhaps some sort of broadly applicable student association policy regarding the disbursement of all student stipends, bonuses, awards, honorariums, emoluments, allotments, grants, bestowals, gifts, and other forms of above or below the table graft is also in order.

However, when any governing body enacts an especially restrictive policy for the press, freedom of expression is imperiled.

When political powers translate their disapproval of a newspaper's editorial policies into budgetary restraints, we have a de facto policy of plain old-fashion censorship. The use of the power of the purse as a sanction by which the governing powers reach inside a newspaper's boardroom and discipline it for the decisions made there undermines the necessary autonomy of that newspaper. The chilling effect of such high-handed acts might be felt by the newspaper, and all campus media, for a long time to come.

I believe it is the duty of the publishing board to resist all such outside interference. The Michaelman is attempting to put its own house in order. I believe that acts of retribution for past errors in judgment that were not clearly spelled out as illegal are inappropriate.

Sincerely yours,

John C. Hughes
Political Science Department

Ohio student asks for correspondence

To the editor:

I attend a small private college in Urbana, Ohio, Urbana College. Writing to other colleges and universities across the country soliciting correspondence through the various campus publications is a very rewarding hobby. If the policy of the Michaelman will permit me, I'd like to request correspondence.

Thank you very much for any assistance you may render! Sincerely,

Mark Stephens
P.O. Box 69/149-573
London, Ohio 43140

Reddy commends Michaelman staff

To the Editor:

In this time of overwhelming criticism of *The Michaelman* by certain parties, I feel that a note of praise should be heard — if only for the morale of the staff. After considering the situation, I felt I should throw to the Four Winds my apathetic tendencies and do something about a situation I thought one-sided and unfair — besides, I

didn't think anyone else would

Thus: I heartily compliment you on last week's issue. It is by far the best this year, and I'm sure such quality can be continued into the future.

Alas, there is little else to say; and I'm glad I've said a kind word where few, of late, are spoken.

Frank Reddy

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On campus



Gil Scott Heron performs at the Flynn Theater.

photo by David Walsh

Concert review:

Gil Scott Heron draws large crowd to Flynn

by David Walsh

Despite a belated opening, Gil Scott Heron and the Midnight Band overwhelmed a near capacity crowd at the Flynn Theater in downtown Burlington on Nov. 29.

Heron, a creative master of a mixture of jazz and rhythm and blues surprised the audience when he leaped off-stage. He shook a percussion instrument ecstatically while rambling down the aisle. His enthusiasm was spontaneous. Everyone rose to their feet and joined in with the rhythm.

The evening started off poorly because the back-up band, Southworth, began about an

hour behind schedule. The local band provided a lively opening and included many popular tunes besides its own.

Heron and company appeared on stage about 10:15 pm and received a warm and relieved welcome. This was Heron's third appearance in the Queen City since his concert with Taj Mahal in March.

For those who aren't familiar with his style, Heron's music deals with many topics ranging from city life to political prisoners in the U.S. He emphasizes the need to communicate to the audience through music. He has declared, "The drum is 360

degrees of communication."

"Hello Sunday, Hello Road," a frisky tune about the musician's road life, began the show. Followed by "Racetrack in France" and "Winter in America," Heron familiarized the audience with his music by using these cuts from his most popular album, *Bridges*.

Midway into the performance, Heron brought onstage two outstanding teen-age female vocalists known as Kaye and Cheryl. The two girls sang a strong background chorus alongside Heron during "Three Miles Down" and "Madison Avenue". The im-

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Friday, Dec. 8

7:15 a.m., 11 a.m.,
4:30 p.m., 9 p.m.

Mass in honor of the feast of the Immaculate Conception, chapel

Saturday Dec. 9

8 p.m.

SMC drama club presents "The Old Lady Shows Her Medals," McCarthy Arts Center, admission free

Sunday Dec. 10

7:30-9 p.m.

Alcoholics Anonymous meeting, McCarthy Arts Center, room 221

8 p.m.

SMC drama club presents "The Old Lady Shows Her Medals," McCarthy Arts Center, admission free

Monday Dec. 11

Social committee presents "Annual Semi-Formal Dance," Radisson Hotel, admission

Tuesday Dec. 12

6:30-7:30 p.m.

ROTC drill team practice, North Campus gym

8 p.m.

SMC drama club presents "When Shakespeare's Ladies Meet," McCarthy Arts Center, admission free

Wednesday Dec. 13

No events scheduled

Thursday Dec. 14

6:30-7:30 p.m.

ROTC drill team practice, North Campus gym.

6:30-10:30 p.m.

Fire and rescue meeting, Science 107, contact Bill Wolf at 655-0214

Friday Dec. 15 & Saturday Dec. 16

No events scheduled

Sunday Dec. 17

7:30-9 p.m.

Alcoholics Anonymous meeting, McCarthy Arts Center, room 221

Monday Dec. 18 thru Wednesday Dec. 20

No events scheduled

Thursday Dec. 21

6:30 p.m.

SMC annual Christmas party, Alliot Hall

News briefs

In line with the safety department's concern for the student population of St. Michael's, the following guidelines are being recommended for use of Christmas trees and decorations in the dorms.

1) The use of Christmas trees should be limited to one per lounge in all dorms. These trees should be treated with a fire retardant substance before decorating. This limited use of trees will cut down the possibility of fires in the dorms.

2) All decorations should be of nonflammable material. This includes all decorations in rooms, hallways and lounges. It has been determined that paper decorations in the hallways at Providence played a major roll in that fire.

3) All electrical decorations must be UL approved. A cause of the most recent fire at UVM is thought to be unapproved electrical devices used by the students.

4) All electrical decorations and devices should be used for the purpose for which they were designed, i.e.: indoor devices must be used only indoors.

5) All trees and decorations should be taken down prior to leaving for the semester break, and discarded properly. Do not leave it for someone else to do.

There will be a meeting at 7:30 p.m. in Science 308 on Tuesday, Dec. 12 for all pre-meds, pre-dents, pre-vets and pre-opts who will be taking the spring tests for these professions.

A fine arts seminar in the gallery of the McCarthy Arts Center will run through January.

The Study Skills Program in the Klein Student Center is finishing its workshops for this semester in anticipation of finals. Workshops for next semester have already been planned to help students improve their study skills at the beginning of the spring term.

There will be an introductory meeting for all interested students on Monday, Jan. 29 at 7:30 in the Klein Student Center. Workshops will begin on Wednesday, Jan. 31, and Monday, Feb. 5. Students are encouraged to sign up before leaving for Christmas break.

College President Edward L. Henry will be in the lobby of Alliot Hall on Tuesday, Dec. 12 after 4:30 p.m. to meet with students and talk with them about any topics they are interested in.

Letters to the editor

Inaccuracies in false alarm story corrected

To the editor:

I was pleased to see the article by George Cordes concerning the false fire alarm problem here at St. Mike's. However, there are several inaccuracies which I feel must be corrected immediately.

First, fire alarms do not ring directly in the Sutton Firehouse; an R.A. or other responsible person must call the campus operator who immediately dispatches the fire and rescue units, and campus security.

Secondly, six fire engines do not respond from our firehouse. I think that it is ob-

vious that the Sutton Firehouse (even with an addition) is hard put to house our two pieces of apparatus, let alone six. Altogether, six pieces of apparatus respond from three locations in Colchester.

Lastly, I **did not** state that our volunteers prefer to wait and see if the alarm is false before responding, nor did I say that they are **not** immediately concerned when an alarm sounds.

All of our Fire & Rescue members **are** immediately concerned when an alarm sounds, and do their utmost to insure the safety of the dorm oc-

cupants. The only practice that has changed in this respect is that Colchester Center Volunteer Fire Company is no longer called upon report of a campus alarm, rather we wait until we get on the scene for a fire officer to make a judgement on whether we need assistance or not. This development is due directly to the increase in false fire alarms.

I trust that this will clear up this matter.

Very Truly Yours,
Peter R. Worrell, Captain
St. Michael's Fire Unit

Search committee for academic dean seeks nominations

To the editor:

As a gesture of student interest and cooperation the dean's search committee invites all students to submit in writing a specific nomination of a candidate for the position of vice-president of academic af-

fairs (academic dean).

If you nominate you should:
(1) forward your nomination to the chairman of the dean's search committee, Box 28, by Jan. 20.

(2) Contact your nominee and instruct him or her to forward vita and recommenda-

tions by Jan. 20, to chairman, dean's search committee, St. Michael's College, Winooski, Vt. 05404, Box 28.

Thank you.

Sincerely,
David Pellegrino
Student Member, Dean's Search Committee.

SMC more selective in accepting freshmen

by William Noone

An increase in applications received plus a decrease in applications accepted has resulted in a better quality student at St. Michael's, Jerry Flanagan, director of admissions, said. This was the case for the 1978 fall semester at St. Michael's.

The college received 1,771 freshman applications for this fall as opposed to 1,701 in 1977. After accepting 60 percent of last year's applications, Flanagan admitted just 51 percent of this year's. Including transfer students, whose accepted applications were also down, the total enrollment of incoming students for this fall was 503, compared to last year's figure of 533.

The reason for the decline, according to Flanagan, was a lack of available spaces than in 1977. The number of applications received this year was the largest in St. Michael's history, allowing Flanagan to be more selective than ever before.

With the increase in the number of applications received the number of female applicants also continues to rise. This fall, 46 percent of the freshmen are women, an in-

crease of four percent over last year. This trend has continued over the past few years and will have an impact on institutional planning, says Flanagan.

The average combined SAT score of this year's accepted applicants was 1,010, an increase over last year's figure of 997. More students were in the top 10th of their graduating high school classes this year than last year.

As usual most of the new students are business concentrators. Biology ranks second. Political science majors dropped from 10 to six percent since last year.

Flanagan was concerned about the number of students who are undecided about their majors. This figure jumped to 24 percent from 19 percent last year. Of this year's 503 new students, 119 are undecided. He said there would be a need for strong academic and career advising.

Geographically, there are more new students from Massachusetts than any other state, as usual, followed by New York, Connecticut, Vermont and New Jersey. Twelve percent are Vermonite

Fire station expanded by SMC volunteers

by John D. Engels, Jr.

Donald Sutton hopes to have an expanded fire station built and operating by next spring, with the help of St. Michael's volunteers.

The recently purchased and freshly painted fire truck will be housed in the new addition on north campus.

The fund raising is nearly

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pressive arrangement enhanced Heron's soulful chords and delighted the audience with the dancing.

The five-piece Midnight Band was well-balanced and contributed greatly to the concert's success. Garnett Williams, "Dr. Rhythm," captured the audience's attention with his bongo solos and exciting stage dancing. Brian Jackson, composer and saxophonist, played a soulful horn throughout "Johannesburg" and "Three Miles Down".

Although the show was short, there was no doubt about the power of Heron's music or the genuine fervor that swept the audience when it pleaded for an encore.

Heron and company obliged and delivered a lengthy and stimulating version of "The Bottle". The Flynn crowd showed its delight by dancing and singing contentedly in the aisles and the front row.

Heron and the Midnight Band's performance has once again surpassed his last, and he will most surely be welcomed back again.

finished. Proceeds from the coin toss, the 300 Club and the semi-formal dance will all apply towards the expected \$7,000 cost of the project.

Work has already begun on the 16-by-30-foot addition, and Sutton wants the work to continue through the winter.

Sutton thinks it essential that the work be completed by spring in order for both fire trucks to have a permanent residence.

The new truck hasn't come back from the painters yet, and when it does, the old truck will then go to be painted, so there is no immediate problem with storage.

The Sutton Fire House receives no financial aid from the college. With financial support and time and labor donated by the St. Michael's College community, Sutton thinks the project can be completed.



The ground has been broken and work is beginning on the 16-by-30 foot addition to the Sutton firehouse.

photo by John Puleio

Guyana provokes questions

by Jim De Marco

How could the mass suicide in Jonestown, Guyana have happened in this day and age? What kind of person would follow Jimmy Jones into the South American jungle and willingly endure physical abuse and suicide drills?

Dr. William Hampses of St. Michael's psychology department said members of the Peoples Temple are probably "outer-directed" people who rely on others to make important decisions in their lives.

"The key is the peoples' low self-esteem," he said. "Freud would have said that's true of anyone who joined a religion."

Hampses said that leaders of such cults capitalize on the fact that there is usually no rigid doctrine within the cult to check the power of the leader. "He doesn't violate any laws so he isn't hemmed in by any laws."

Hampses also said people with such low self-esteem may have felt they would be comfortable living among others who were as unsuccessful as them in the world. He said that moving to Guyana was the same as moving to another world.

The psychology professor said that the members' low self-esteem could also be termed self-hate. That hatred could be directed either inward or outward, he added. Jones took advantage of the pent-up emotions of the cult members to get them to do something that

many of them would never have done under normal circumstances, he said.

Hampses also said some of the members may have been thrill-seekers who were fascinated with the idea of a crazy man leading a group of unquestioning followers, but added that such people were probably a small minority.

Dr. Joseph Kroger of St. Michael's religious studies department drew distinctions between religions, sects and cults. He said sects are religions

that advocated a turning away from the mainstream of society, and cults are sects that revolve around a charismatic leader. He said Mennonites and Quakers are examples of sects and cults are especially common in eastern religions like Hinduism and Buddhism.

Kroger said cults like the Peoples Temple were no more likely to evolve out of a Christian background than out of an eastern background, though Jimmy Jones happened to be a former Christian.

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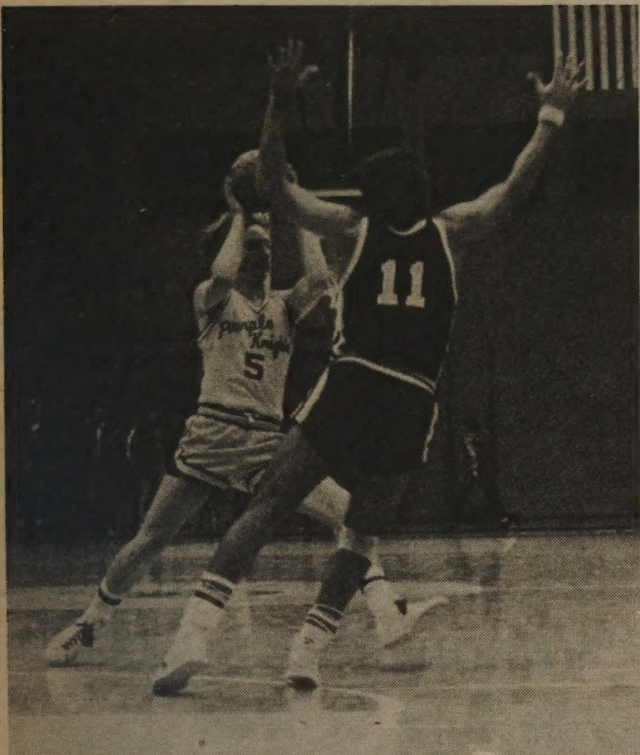
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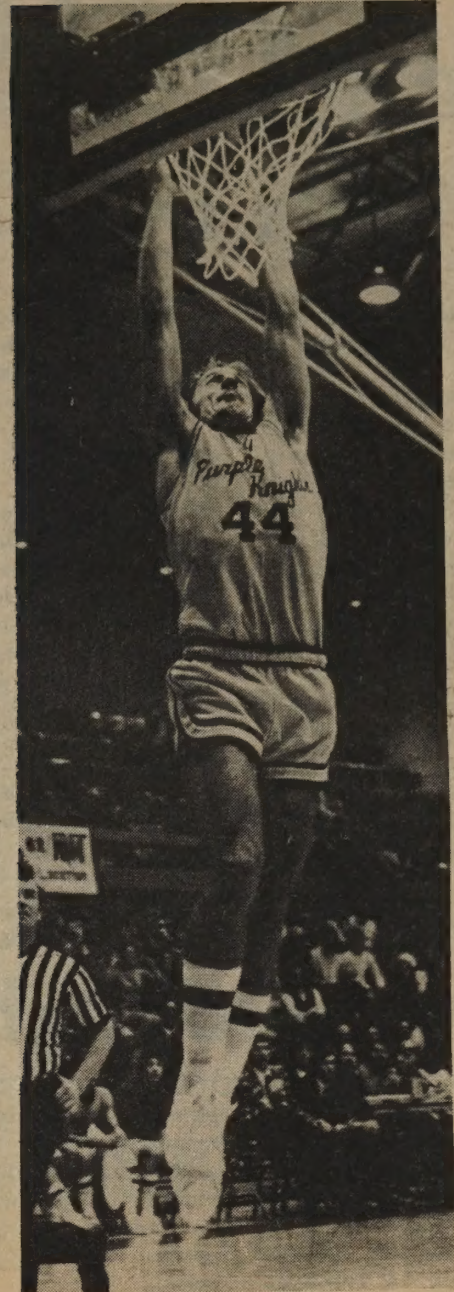
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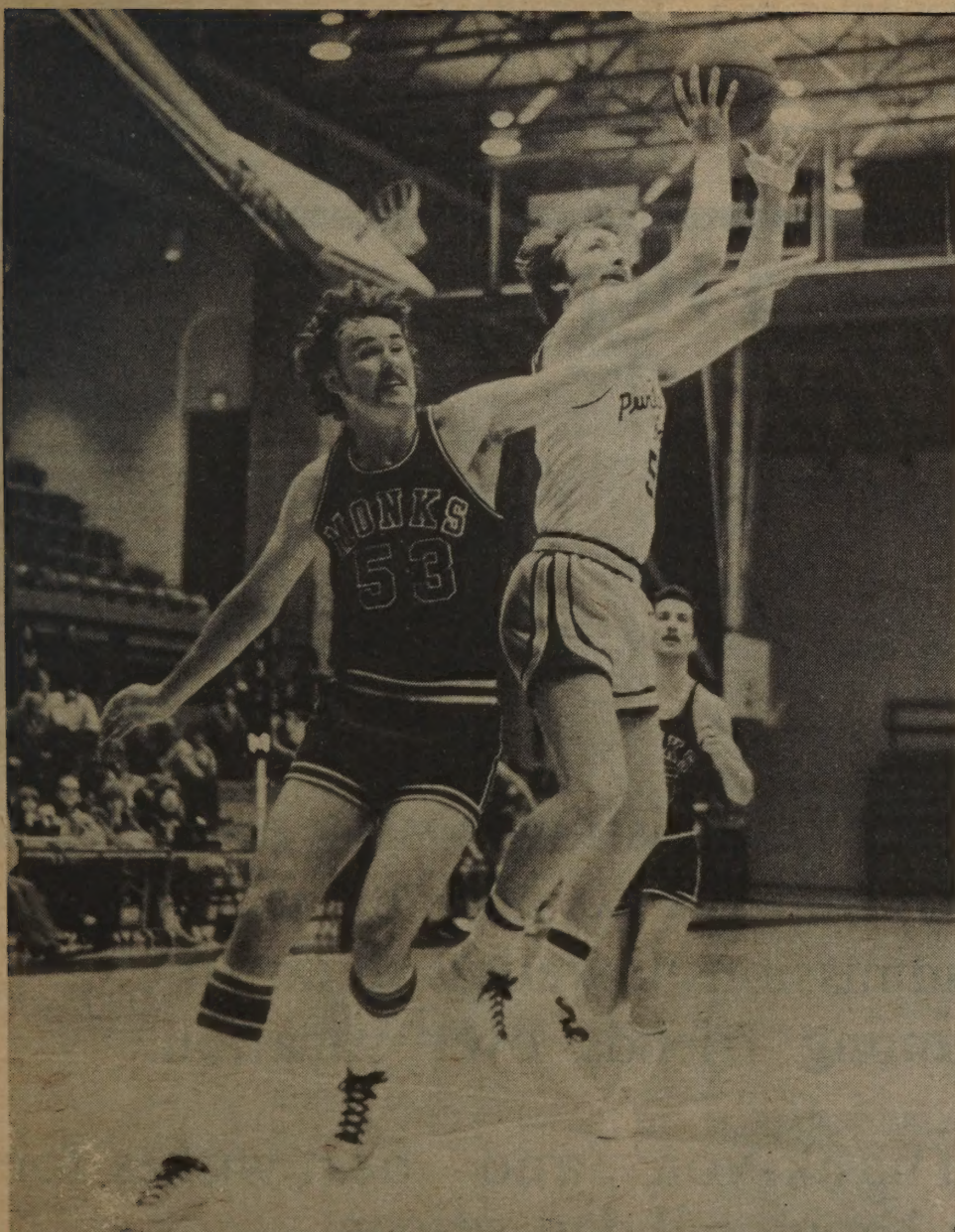
SMC guard Kevin Byrne looks for open man.

Doc Jacobs Classic

photos by Rob Swanson



Derrick Halacki jams home two.



Byrne makes move underneath the hoop.



Tourney MVP Tom Hoey accepts well deserved congratulations.

SPORTS

Knights awesome in 'Doc' Jacobs title win

by Mark Kendall

On paper it appeared as though the St. Michael's men's basketball team would have to travel down a rough road in order to successfully defend its crown in the fourth annual 'Doc' Jacobs Classic.

However that was not the case as the Knights turned it into a cakewalk, romping to a 94-75 victory over Adelphi College last Saturday night in the championship game.

With senior forward, Tom Hoey, the tournament's MVP, leading the way, Coach Walt Baumann's hoopsters made the win look easy. Hoey proved to be unstoppable underneath the

basket as he exploded for 40 points in the championship game against Adelphi. Hoey tallied 37 points in Friday night's 75-65 first round win over St. Joseph.

Derrick Halacki turned in another superb performance for the Knights as he scored 20 points including a spectacular two hand slam dunk in the second half that brought the crowd of 900 to their feet.

Halacki along with senior John Rao was selected to the All-Tourney team. Rao added 12 points to the St. Mike's scoring effort while Kevin Byrne dished out six assists.

Gordie McCrae paced Adelphi, who edged Assumption in the opening game Friday with 25 points.

Team shooting was a key ingredient to the victory for the Knights as they shot an amazing 63 percent from the field compared to Adelphi's 44 percent. St. Mike's also looked sharp at the free throw line hitting 85 percent which was good for 22 points.

Defensively St. Michael's also sparked thanks to the fine play of freshman Bill Glubiak and Byrne.

For all practical purposes the game was over by the half as

the Knights rolled to a 44-21 lead due in part to 10 costly Adelphi turnovers.

Rebounding was another St. Michael's cagers asset as it pulled down 24 defensive caroms compared to Adelphi's seven for the game.

"We have all team players, they're quick, smart and play with a great deal of con-

fidence," said Baumann. "It was one of the greatest victories I've ever had," he added.

Assumption College, a perennial New England hoop power took third place in the two-day tourney with a 98-67 win over St. Joseph's college of Maine in the consolation contest.

Hoop and hockey tourneys swing into high gear

by Mark Kendall

Registration for men and women's basketball (A and B leagues) is due Wednesday, with play getting underway immediately after the semester break, on Jan. 24. The same schedule exists for men's poly-hockey, with registration Dec. 12 and play starting Jan. 24.

Volleyball play-offs are now in full swing with a champion to be decided soon.

The poly-hockey AD, coming off of a 10-0 season, is definitely the team to watch.

Basketball tournaments continue at this time with the poly-hockey finals scheduled for Monday and the basketball finals scheduled for Tuesday. The "B" league finals are scheduled for 6:30 and the "A" league championship is scheduled for 7:30. Both games will be played at the Ross Sports Center.

One of the major disappointments this fall in intramural sports has been the lack of participation in the yearly ladder challenge-board program. The program involves individual competition among students in the following sports:

1. Singles-Tennis
2. Doubles-Tennis
3. Ping Pong
4. Pool
5. One-on-One Basketball

Names are placed on the challenge board in the Ross Sports Center. Other rules include:

- a. a person may only challenge up to three places ahead.
- b. Person being challenged must respond within three days of challenge.
- c. All participants must play or make an effort to play once every 10 days.
- d. Deadline for all five challenge boards is May 1, 1979. Person on top at that time will be declared the winner (person's house will receive

points — top four places receive points).

e. A prize will also be given for the most matches played by an individual regardless of position on the tournament board.

f. If the challenger wins, he or she exchanges places with the loser. Loser moves down one place.

g. If the challenger loses, he or she must challenge a different person or wait to be challenged before rechallenging the same individual.

h. If a player does not play a match within the specified period (three days to challenge or 10 days to play), he or she will be moved to a lower position by the intramural director

(or exchange places with the challenger.)

Other miscellaneous rules include:

1. Method of placement on challenge board will be by chance (picked from a hat).
2. Participants arrange their own matches.
3. If an injury or illness occurs to an individual on the ladder, he must check into the intramural office so he or she may be excused. He or she must check in every 10 days.

SMC skates to 6-6 deadlock

by Jim Heffrin

A goal by Bob Manning with 41 seconds remaining in the third period gave the St. Michael's club hockey team a 6-6 tie with New Hampshire College Friday night. Manning's goal came when goalie Mike Kleinhenz was pulled for a sixth skater on the ice.

Head coach Ed Smith was very pleased with his team's performance. "They have been extending themselves more and more each game. They have finally arrived as a team. I expect bigger and better things from them in the future."

Other Knights who set off the red light were Walt Ruscoe, Sean Chrisom, Dan Shea and Ed Hannon.

St. Michael's goalie Mike Kleinhenz was spectacular in the crease with 39 saves, coming away with an 89 percent save average.

Varsity Basketball Box Scores

Men's Basketball

St. Michael's (94)

Byrne 2-2-6; Glubick 1-2-4; Hoey 16-8-40; Halacki 9-2-20; Rao 6-0-12; Way 1-6-8; Oliveri 0-1-1; McGovern 1-0-2; McLeod 0-1-1; Giordano 0-0-0
Totals 36-22-94

Adelphi (75)

McCrae 11-3-25; Horton 4-3-11; Cote 2-0-4; Parker 4-2-10; Kinsley 2-1-5; Butigan 1-0-2; Addison 2-0-4; Vice 3-2-8; Pappas 1-0-2
Totals 32-11-75

Halftime: St. Michael's 44 Adelphi 21

Women's Basketball

St. Michael's (53)

Lochner 0-0-0; Bushey 0-2-2; O'Neil 5-2-12; King 3-1-7; Taylor 0-0-0; Finn 4-3-11; Ferguson 0-0-0; Puls 2-2-6; Trotier 0-0-0; Bialik 4-1-19; Stanger 1-0-2; Turner 0-0-0; Sheerin 1-2-4; Murray 0-0-0; Pope 0-0-0
Totals 20-13-53

St. Joseph's (46)

Costello 1-1-3; Johnson 6-10-22; Campbell 1-0-2; O'Brien 3-1-7; Perry 3-0-6; Daniels 3-0-6
Totals 17-12-46

Halftime: St. Joseph's 27 St. Michael's 23

St. Michael's (59)

Lochner 0-1-1; O'Neil 5-2-12; Bushey 0-0-0; King 6-3-15; Finn 2-1-5; Trotier 0-0-0; Bialik 6-1-13; Ferguson 0-0-0; Puls 2-0-4; Stanger 2-3-7; Sheerin 1-0-2
Totals 24-11-59

Castleton State (60)

Demars 4-2-10; Lemeux 3-2-8; McHugh 8-2-18; Brown 2-2-6; Renne 2-2-6; Chadwick 1-0-2; Souliere 0-1-1; Leasy 2-1-5; Scott 2-0-4
Totals 24-12-60

Halftime: St. Michael's 29 Castleton 28

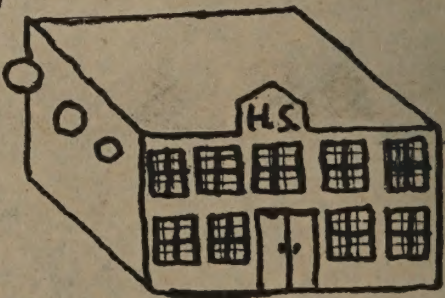
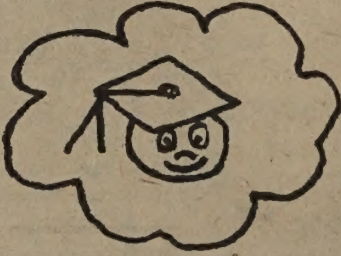
St. Michael's (62)

Lochner 0-0-0; Bushey 2-0-4; Ferguson 2-0-4; Pope 0-0-0; O'Neil 9-2-20; King 3-0-6; Finn 6-2-14; Trotier 0-2-2; Bialik 2-0-4; Puls 2-0-4; Stinger 0-2-2; Sheerin 1-0-2
Totals: 27-8-62

Norwich (46)

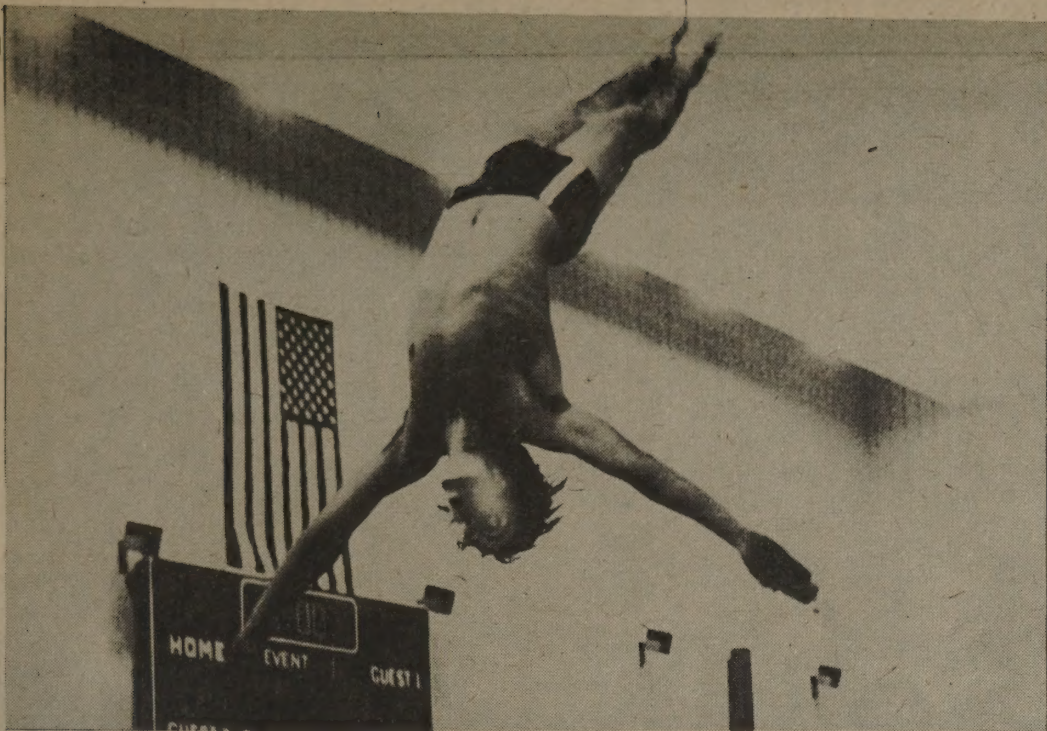
Parker 7-4-18; Quigley 1-0-2; Cloutse 2-0-4; Laughlin 3-0-6; Page 4-2-10; Smith 3-0-6
Totals: 20-6-46
Halftime: St. Michael's 27 Norwich 20

Going Home For Christmas?



The Admissions Office encourages all students to drop by and pick up admissions materials to distribute among friends over vacation.

Thank-you and best wishes for a happy holiday season.



B.J. Jaeger displays the form that allowed him to capture first place in diving competition against Keene State Wednesday. Photo by Rob Swanson

SMC swimmers making splashes

Last weekend, the men's and women's swim teams competed in the 13-team McGill Invitational swim meet, against many strong eastern U.S. and Canadian teams, including power-houses St. Lawrence and U. Maine.

Competition was fierce for the top six places, with an average of 35 swimmers entered in each event. Outstanding performances were turned in by Paul Pannicia, who placed fourth in the men's diving; and freshman Joe O'Donnel, who took 6th in the 200 fly and set a school record in the 100 fly with a time of 56.7.

Captain Jeff Good placed fourth in the 200 backstroke, setting a new school record of 2:16, while Anne Metzger established a new mark in the women's 400 free with a time of 4:51.2, barely missing the top 6 in her event. Also outstanding was freshman Gail Fisk, who turned in a 1:06 in the 100 free.

The women's team has had a winning season this fall, with an overall record of 5-1. Last week, they soundly defeated Green Mountain State, 77-33. Double winners were team co-captains Mary Beth Russo and Chris Collins, along with freshman Maureen Keefe.

Earlier, the team emerged victorious from a hard fought bout with the University of Vermont, winning 68-63. Almost every school record fell at this meet, with freshmen Anne Metzger and Claire Anderson taking home the 500 free and 50 free marks, respectively.

Co-captains Russo and Collins both broke two records, with Russo taking both the backstrokes and Collins the 100 I.M. and 50 breaststroke.

The team now goes into a month-long period of inactivity meet-wise, although, according to coach Lewis M. Whitney, the Christmas season is the most intensive, with workouts twice a day, for a total of 10,000 yards per day.

Women cagers off to fast start

After opening the season with three straight victories the St. Michael's women's basketball team suffered its first setback of the current campaign Monday when it dropped a 60-59 squeaker to Castleton State College.

The Purple Knights, who are off to their best start in history have gained triumphs over Plattsburgh State, St. Joseph's

of Maine and Norwich University.

Sophomore Kathy O'Neil has been providing much of the St. Michael's offensive fire power. She netted a 12 points in the Knights 53-46 comeback win Friday over St. Joseph.

St. Mike's was down by four points, 27-23 at halftime, but came storming back in the final period to record victory number

three on the season.

"This team is different from past teams in that they never give up," said coach Sue Duprat.

"They keep coming at you." Maura Finn also made a major contribution in the St. Joseph contest as she tallied 11 points.

St. Michael's got off to a fast start against Norwich last Saturday, building up a 27-20 margin at the half and never looking back.

O'Neil paced the Knights in the scoring department with a game high 20 points while Finn chipped in with 14 tallies.

Although St. Michael's was defeated by Castleton, the Knights showed plenty of poise. After trailing by 14 points with seven minutes remaining in the game they cut the Spartan's lead to one only to have their comeback effort fall short in the last seconds.

"I was impressed, we played good, aggressive basketball and showed a lot of heart," commented Duprat.

Janet King, a junior transfer student, who Duprat describes as an "excellent rebounder and a fine all around player," led St. Michael's offensively with 15 points.

Freshman Audrey Bialik added 133 points and O'Neil 12 for the Purple Knights.

women's hoop



SMC's Kathy O'Neil drives to basket during 62-46 win over Norwich University.

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